

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Expenditure on Maintenance of Military Equipment

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether adequate steps have been taken to increase military expenditure on operations and maintenance of military equipment and development of defence infrastructure and procurement; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

(a) & (b): The following steps have been taken to increase military expenditure on operations and maintenance of military equipment and development of defence infrastructure and procurement:-

(i) Strengthening of procurement organisation, Concurrent procurement activities and establishment of a robust monitoring mechanism have been undertaken to reduce overall procurement timelines and thereby increasing military expenditure.

(ii) Infrastructure Development is a continuous process and all requisite measures are undertaken to expedite the progress in different Commands.

(iii)

In order to expedite the pace of construction of infrastructure, outsourcing has been allowed to expedite the road construction activity along the border areas.

(iv) The revised Defence Procurement Procedure has been promulgated in 2016 with a view to expedite Capital Procurements.
